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At a labor-capital mutual consultation meeting held on 19 July 1950, the labor representatives requested resumption of work. It was agreed that the employers should prepare written reports of the actual condition of their industries for consideration by the consultants' meeting. In cases where firms show real cause for not being able to resume operations, the labor union would undertake to persuade the workers to remain in suspended status.

If an industry is in special distress, the industrial associations will assume responsibility for giving aid. Further, if the industry is unable to pay the suspended work allowance and separation pay, it may discharge the workers at once. Workers who can return to rural homes will be given traveling expenses. Those who cannot leave the city will be referred to the unemployment relief agency.

In the case of the Hung-ta-i Company, the 333 workers asked the company to resume operations, agreeing to work for their food only. The company, however, could not operate successfully even without paying wages because its product, boots in this instance, can only be made to sell at above market prices. The negotiators have, therefore, persuaded the workers to remain 3 months more on suspended status, receiving 18 shih of grain as suspended status allowance.

Several other companies are unable to pay even the suspended status allowance. Their workers will be turned over to the unemployment agency for relief. A few firms with better foundations will resume work if they can earn enough to protect their capital. The leaders of the labor-capital mutual conference are now engaged in working out the practical details of work resumption for these firms.

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